THE SHAKERITE

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City Celebration to Begin Today

by Rebecca Freedman

Last May, many Shaker Heights residents and merchants got together and created an extremely successful weekend. The weekend was titled "Shaker In Residence", and included such activities as fishing in Thornton Pool, a wine and cheese party, a teen dance, and much more. This year, on May 2, 3 and 4, the second annual "Shaker In Residence" will take place, offering an even more exciting weekend than last year. Once again, the tent will be up in the Van Aken Shopping Center parking lot. The weekend will begin with a Monte Carlo party and auction Friday night under the tent. This exciting evening of blackjack, roulette, food, and other such activities will be sponsored by the Shaker Heights PTA, and proceeds from the evening will go towards the scholarship fund. After 11:00, your ill-gotten gains can be used to purchase items and services donated by local merchants and residents. Tickets for the evening are $3.

A fun-filled Saturday begins with the annual Pancake Breakfast at Christ Episcopal Church. The cost is $2 for adults and $1 for children. Among other interesting events on Saturday are "Made in Shaker – A Crafts and Plants Show by Shakerites", which the Senior Adult Office is presenting both Saturday and Sunday from 1-5 p.m. Entries from residents aged 19-90 will be accepted.

From 1:00 to 5:00, bring your skates to the tent for an afternoon of roller skating. It's free for everyone.

Once again, there will be "Shaker Derby Day" at the Vogue from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. Host Dave Patterson and the Senior Adult Office invite you to sip mint juleps, donated by Noggin's, while you cheer your horse on to victory.

On Saturday night there will be the Under-the-Tent dance for grades 9-12. The dance will take place from 8:00 to 11:00 p.m., is sponsored by A.F.S., and costs $1.50.

Sunday is Family Day all day long. New residents are welcome to come on the League of Women Voters' bus tour of the city. The bus leaves Van Aken Center at 1:00 p.m. The Dads' Club is sponsoring an Ice Cream social under the tent from 3:00 to 5:00. Recreation Day, sponsored by the Recreation Dept., will take place both at Thornton Park, and under the tent from 3:00 to 5:00. Fish for carp in Thornton pool, Score-O at the ice rink, or try a bean bag toss under the tent.

The final weekend activities will take place at Horseshoe Lake at 5:00. The Shaker Lakes Regional Nature Society will sponsor "Day is Done - An Hour With Nature and Music". Shaker residents will be welcoming spring through music, dance and reading, thus bringing to a close the second annual "Shaker In Residence".

Coming Events

MAY

2 Choral Concert
8:00 pm

2-4 Shaker In Residence

3 SAT and ACH
8:00 - 12:00

9,10 Sharcs Show
7:30 pm

12-16 Advanced Placement Tests

15-17 Drama Production:
Song to Aging Children

Moon Rocks to be Exhibited in Shaker

by Craig Beresford

Today, all Shaker High students have the chance to see six authentic Moon rock chips on display in the second-story of the library. Each chip is a small (½ gram) sample of lunar material obtained during the six Apollo missions from 1969 to 1972.

The chips are embedded in a clear lucite disk six inches in diameter, which will be magnified for easier viewing. The moon rocks, along with samples of earth rocks and meteorites included for comparison, will be on display all day today. Teachers may bring their classes to view the exhibit, and interested students may come on their own during free time (if space permits).

Shaker High is the first stop for the rocks, which will also be shown at Woodbury, Byron, and the elementary schools over the next two and a half weeks. In addition, they will be on display at the Shaker in Residence Festival this weekend.

In conjunction with the exhibit, Senator John Glenn will be coming to Shaker Heights on May 9 to speak and to hold a student press conference. During the conference, which will be held at Mercer elementary school and attended by six representatives from each of Shaker's public schools, Glenn will discuss his career as a senator and as the first American astronaut to orbit the Earth.

Students to Govern City Under Intern Program

by Dan Schwartz

Shaker Heights High School students have been given the opportunity to participate in the Government Intern series once again this year. This program allows students to meet with central figures of the Shaker Heights city government.

The program will culminate Government Intern Day, May 8, when all who participated in the lectures will take over the various positions of the Shaker Government for the day. The selection for these positions will be determined by grade level and attendance at the meetings.

The series began in late March, when Paul Donaldson, Law Director of Shaker Heights spoke to a crowd of about sixty students from all three grades.

Police Chief George Lamboy also spoke that week. He candidly discussed many different topics ranging from narcotics to women in the force.

During the first week of April, Thomas Webb, City Councilman, explained his role in the government.

Also that week, Superintendent Jack P. Taylor talked to students about the problems and needs of our schools as well as about his role in the community.

Others who addressed the group included Judge Manuel Rocker of the Shaker Heights Municipal Court, Philip Heitzelman, Shaker's city planner, who stressed the need for a larger tax base in Shaker, Mayor Walter C. Kelley and William Schuchart, Finance Director.

The seminars, held in the Planetarium, were open to anyone interested in the operation of city government. Jerry Graham, head of the History Department, and chairman of the program, gave introductory speeches for each of the guest speakers.

Opinion

Shaker Life Showcases Athletics

by David Wipper

The schools, students, and citizens of Shaker received a much deserved compliment last week. It came in the form of the cable television program "Shaker Life". This program dealt with the athletic programs at Shaker High as seen through the eyes of both student athletes and faculty members. The program represented the sports scene at Shaker very realistically. It mentioned both the winners and the losers in both boys' and girls' sports. More importantly, the importance of academic as well as athletic achievements was kept in perspective throughout the program. For example, it was mentioned that the swim team has had four National Merit Semifinalists in the past year. At the same time, the lack of a regulation swimming pool and the low attendance at meets were noted.

This broadcast brought a beautiful portrait of the high school into everyone's home. Erased from the school's image was the infamous "weed and wine lunch break" and other such inflammatory criticism of the school. For once, the best representatives of the school, the students, spoke out for Shaker. The picture they painted was one that every tax payer in the city could be proud of. After all, a city is known by the schools it keeps.

There were only two bad aspects of the program. The first was the purely technical problem of bad sound. The other, a more noticeable drawback, was the inclusion of a few poorly worded questions. Otherwise, "Shaker Life" gave a good, realistic picture of the sports scene at Shaker.

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Opinion

Misleading Statistics

by C.A. Zimmerman

Recently, an article appeared in the Cleveland Press on the poor performance of students from what were called the "prestige" schools of the local area. Shaker Heights High School was included in this report, which noted a measurable percentage of students having to take remedial English and math courses in their freshman year at state universities. The article also implied praise for those schools which were not what it called "prestige" schools, since fewer of their students were required to take remedial courses.

Many Shaker graduates attend state universities in Ohio because of the many exceptional programs offered, the lower cost of attending a state university in comparison to private institutions, or the proximity to their homes. Also, students who haven't maintained an excellent academic record apply to state universities since there is an open admissions policy for students there. The open admissions policy has been with us since before I started attending college in 1948. What is measurably different since then is the increased number of students who go on to all areas of higher education. It is the students' opportunity, and possibly their last, to change their academic direction; and that cannot be statistically pointed out as readily as can the number of those who must take a remedial course in math or English. I contend that the article is focusing on the wrong statistic and I will continue to urge students to stretch, to try, and to expand intellectually so that each may reach his individual goal.

To the many fine academic students who are planning to attend the state universities in Ohio, I hope that the Press statements do not reflect negatively on their decision. There are outstanding programs available throughout the state university system, and if you are one of those students considering state schools, you should take advantage of them at the lower cost. That is your and your parents' decision. Financially, it is a very sound decision and in many instances academically as well.

Further, I will draw a comparison that may clarify the difference in communities. In 1979 Shaker had 151 graduates matriculate at state universities, with 47 students (31 percent) coming from the upper half of their class. At the same time, another local school district sent 109 students to state universities, 78 of them (71 percent) in the upper half of their class. The 109 students enrolled in the state universities from that local school district made up over 50 percent of their students attending schools of higher education, while at Shaker less than 30 percent of our student body enrolled in the same institutions.

Finally, I will state that all students at Shaker are given the opportunity to gain an outstanding education. The measure of the amount received often depends upon the amount of effort one is willing to give. I sincerely hope that Shaker students will understand the very limited significance of a statistic that is so simplistic and so easy to misconstrue.

Your Letters

The Shakerite welcomes letters expressing all viewpoints. Letters should be as concise as possible and are subject to editing. All letters must include a signature and advisory group number. Submit letters to Mr. Randall in Room 100 or any Shakerite editor.

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BASICS Of Computer Club

It has been said that someday computers will rule the world. Already, their influence appears in math, science, and military fields, and even at Shaker High School. The Shaker computer club is made up of a group of students interested in this growing field. Currently, the club is headed by Michael Klein, president, and Bruce Daniel. Emil Knorr is faculty advisor.

Many computers are available for the use of the computer club. Among these are computers at Case Western Reserve University, John Klein & Associates, the University of Akron, as well as both the old and new high school computers. These computers provide programming languages including BASIC, COBOL and FORTRAN. The old Shaker micro-data computer provides extra opportunities because it can be used for experimental projects.

Any school period and after school, terminals in Room 226 are available for use by club members. Members may program games, math problems, and other projects as well as work with programs and games already filed on the system. According to Michael Klein, the purpose of the club is "to make knowledge of computers available to students who are interested." Michael teaches BASIC, a major language on Shaker's computers, on Tuesdays after school. Another purpose of the club is to "exchange knowledge." Many members know various computer languages and share these with others.

Shaker students are welcome to join the computer club. No previous experience is needed. Anyone interested is invited to stop by Room 226 any day after school.

Shaker Exchange Club Hosts German Students

by Mara Sidney and Andy Pollis

A group of 12 students from Goslar, Germany visited Shaker Heights for three weeks in early spring. They were hosted by students studying German here. During their stay, the students, their hosts, German teacher Mrs. Barbara Hoffman, and Unit Principal Richard Oberdorfer took a city tour of Cleveland, went to a concert performed by the Cleveland Orchestra, had a picnic at Horseshoe Lake, and took a bus trip to Niagara Falls.

Frau Hoffman, who helped plan the students' visit, was happy with the overall reaction to the exchange on both sides.

"One of the greatest assets of the program," she said, "is that the students are not just seeing sights; which can leave an empty impression. They are spending time in a community. I think establishing ties between youths from two different countries is important in our inter-dependent world." According to Frau Hoffman, the students found our school to be one of the most different aspects of life here as compared to life in Goslar. For instance, there, they attend school on Saturdays.

The Shaker students who hosted the Germans will be going to Goslar with Mr. Oberdorfer on June 23, and will stay until the middle of July. During this time the German students will still be attending school. In Goslar, the Shaker students will go on a city tour, visit gold, silver, and copper mines, and make a trip to Berlin. Judging from the success of past programs with Goslar, the people involved are sure to have both an exciting and an educational trip.

Icer's Season Melts At 24-4

by Dan Rosenbaum

The Shaker hockey team had another outstanding season under veteran coach Mike Bartley. Shaker finished the season first in the LEL. Their final record was 24-4. The team advanced all the way to the state semi-finals where they suffered a 4-3 overtime loss to Toledo Central Catholic, and where Bowling Green finally won the state championship by beating Toledo 5-2.

The Raiders had a fine season, losing only three regular season games. Their losses were to Cleveland Heights, Centerville, and Padua. They are to be commended for winning the Baron Cup this year.

This year's hockey team includes seniors Macke Bentley (captain), Mike Berg (alternate captain), David Genger, Mark Iarue, and David Wipper; juniors Simon Abrahams, Mike Calhoun, Al Heller, Karl Mallin, Jeff Orloff, Pat Rosselli, Mike Sload, and Scott Wipper; and sophomores Bob Hart, Andy Luitkus, Kevin Mallin, John Small, Scott Spero, and David Swain.

Mr. Bartley commented that this was the most pleasing team he has coached in his four years so far here at Shaker. He is looking forward to next year and would like to thank all the supporters, fans, and others who helped the team this season.

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Lucy Burkett Earns Two National Honors

Lucille Burkett, Shaker's Director of Health, Physical Education and Athletics, has recently been honored with two national awards. She was the recipient of an honor award from the American Alliance of Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance, and she received the City and County Directors' Award.

The first award is presented each year for meritorious service to a professional serving local, state, and national levels. It may be given to teachers, professors, or any professional in the field of health, physical education, recreation, or dance. Miss Burkett is the only woman out of six recipients of this honor. She was recommended for the award by someone in the field and a committee of people from all over the United States made the final decision.

The City and County Directors' Award is given to a director who has served the community by providing outstanding programs. Miss Burkett was the only woman to receive this award, too. When she was presented this award, it was said that "She is the kind of person who initiates and develops new ideas and stimulates others to produce and develop ideas. She maintains a high level of professional integrity and is thoughtful and helpful to others."

Miss Burkett has been involved in physical education for many years. She has been in Shaker for 28 years, serving as Director for the past 10. She is a Past-President of the National Association for Sport and Physical Education and she has been a chairperson of the National Conference for Youth's Sports. She was a consultant for the Division of Girls and Women's Sports Study Conference on Competition for Girls and Women. She was an area co-ordinator for Lifetime Sports. She has written articles including "Leadership and Sportsmanship". She was the first co-president of the National Association for Sports and Physical Education.

She has previously been given The Meritorious Award by the Ohio Association for Health, Physical Education and Recreation. She has received two Certificates of Appreciation for meritorious service by the Ohio State Department of Education and the Ohio High School Athletic Association. This list of accomplishments is only a sampling of Miss Burkett's many activities.

Baseball Team Lead by Bartlett

by Scott Blackhurst

About the same time April showers start to drench Shaker Heights, baseball season begins. Coach Fred Heinlen is putting his 34th team on Shaker's soggy fields. Thus far this season the baseball team has been able to play only four games and their record is 2-2. Rain has spoiled six others.

The team got off to a wet start with a 15-0 loss to Brush. A week later the team rebounded nicely with a 4-3 victory over Parma. Pitcher Jim Bartlett hurled a three-hitter while also adding to the victory by hitting a two-run homerun. Rain, hurricane winds, and Benedictine proved to be too much for the Red Raiders. Benedictine defeated the Red Raiders 5-3 in a tough game. The sun was shining on the team when they beat L.E.L. rivals Cleveland Heights 5-2. Jim Bartlett hit his second homerun of the year, a three-run blast to left field, to seal the victory.

The varsity baseball team consists of six seniors, including Mike Berg (catcher), Chris Rogus (2B(, Ken Dixon (LF), Dean Wheeler (pitcher), Dan White (pitcher), and Mike Vasil (catcher). The junior class is represented by Mike Weingarten (1B), Darren Twedell (SS), Darryl Wilson (RF), Mark Viola (catcher), Jim Bartlett (pitcher), and Tim Hanna (inf.). The only sophomore to make the team is Sae Ghose (3B).

The 1980 Baseball team looks to be very good. With 19 games left in a long season, the team has its work cut out. Let's hope the old saying holds true and April showers really do bring May flowers.

Swimmers Hindered By Few Participants

by Lucy Drothing

As the baseball and softball teams are outside practicing throwing, hitting, and fielding, and the tennis team is busy working on backhands and overheads, the girls' swim team is in the pool logging 6,000 yards a day. This could be the last year that Shaker has a Girls' Swim Team as the number of girls going out for the team decreases every year. This year the team's eleven members are barely enough to make a team.

So far this year the girls have had six meets. Their record stands at 1-5. They suffered defeats to Mayfield, Maple Heights, Berea, Bedford, and Cleveland Heights. Their sole victory was over Canton-McKinley. The main reason the girls' record is 1-5 is the size of the team. The eleven members can only fill 33 of the 43 spots at each meet. Thus, the team must forfeit 10 spots, giving up approximately 20 points per meet. To be competitive, a team should be made up of 16-20 girls.

The eleven diehard members of the team are seniors Anne Douglass, Jodi Solomon, Marge Duncan, Kathleen Mearns, Jennifer Becker, and Shane Nelson; junior Susan Kruse; and sophomores Lisa Bash, Virginia Simmons, Amy Rothenfeld, and Eleanor Nagy.

The girls are looking forward to doing well in the District meet. At Districts, size does not play as big a role as quality, and the team has plenty of that.

Shaker Captures W.R.A. Crown

by Brad Giddings

At the Western Reserve Academy Relays, in Hudson, Ohio, the Shaker Track Team responded to the 70-degree weather by winning four events, which included breaking two records and tying one.

In the long jump, the team of Jacques Grant, Tony Dixon and Brad Giddings out-leaped the second-place team by one foot. In the 400-meter relay, Shaker raced Akron Buchtel High School, known as the Speed Machine. Shaker's team of Art Burns, Tony Dixon, Rick Perry and Brad Giddings came through to beat them by five yards and to tie the meet record. In the 800-meter relay, the Raiders again faced the Speed Machine, and again beat them, this time by 10 yards. They broke the meet record by running a time of 1:29.0, which is also the second best time in the State.

In the final event of the day, Shaker's defending State championship mile relay team (now the 1600 meter relay) came through with flying colors against Akron Buchtel. Shaker broke their own meet record and established themselves as strong contenders for retaining their state title. They ran a 3:19.5, which is the fastest time in the Ohio this year. The mile relay team consists of Art Burns, Terrell Richardson, Rick Perry, and Brad Giddings.

Other outstanding performances in the meet were in the shot put, pole vault, and hurdles. Orlando Lowry had the best put of the meet with 53' 8". Scott Whitley, in the pole vault, had a personal best of 11' 6" which was also one of the meet's best vaults. Hurdler Todd Carmichael came from behind to catch another hurdler in the shuttle hurdles, but was nipped at the tape to give him a second-place finish.

Boys' Tennis

MAY		
5	Lakewood	home
7	Brush	home
8	Normandy	away
12	Parma	home
14	Ashtabula	home
15	Sectionals	away
16,17	Sectionals	away
19	Valley Forge	home
20	Beachwood	away

Girls' Track

MAY

3 Willoughby South Relays
6 Lakewood
9 Brush Relays
13 Normandy, Valley Forge
16,17 Sectionals
23,24 Districts
30,31 States